JUNITED STATES DEVARTMENT OF COMMERCE Patent and Trademic Office Address: ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231 0-59123 FIRST NAMED APPLICANT ATTY. DOCKET NO. PCT/AU98/00919 5611 SUGHRUE MION ZINN MACPEAK & SEAS 2100 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NW WASHINGTON DC 20037-3213 09/01/00 DATE MAILED 0 1 SEP 2000 NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495 1. The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494), 💢 an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. 2. The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are: 3/ Jul 00 35 U.S.C. 102(e) DATE A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE "FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371(C) REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE. The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon. 3. A request for immediate examination under 35 U.S.C. 371(f) was received on and the application will be examined in turn. 4. The following items have been received:

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